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GW NAMES JOHN F. "SKIP" WILLIAMS NEW UNIVERSITY PROVOST

**Promotions Also Announced for Top Administrators in Academic Affairs,
Finance and Student/Academic Support Services**

WASHINGTON – Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, president of The George Washington University, has announced the appointment of John F. "Skip" Williams, M.D., Ed.D., to the newly reinstated position of University provost and the promotion of three other top administrators. Williams, whose appointment was effective Jan. 1, becomes the first person to serve as provost of GW in 14 years.

"I really look at my appointment as a kind of fine tuning of the University's organizational structure," said Williams. "My goal is to optimize the resources we already have, which is a campus full of accomplished and dedicated professionals."

As provost, Williams, who also will retain his titles as vice president for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, will serve a three-year term representing the University and handling the day-to-day administrative duties whenever Trachtenberg is away from campus. He also will oversee the offices of the vice president for communications and the vice president for governmental, international and corporate affairs.

"I think we've got a particularly talented provost," said Trachtenberg about Williams. "My interest is in seeing that his day-to-day activities are challenging and that he is given an opportunity to use his talents in a way that keeps him focused on GW."

GW last had a provost in 1989. Trachtenberg eliminated the position early in his tenure to streamline the administration. "When I first came to GW in 1988, I was keen to get to know as much about the University as I could," he said. "Now after 15 years here, I feel comfortable that when I'm not on campus, there is someone who can be a spokesman for the University. Having someone with an appropriate title to carry out that role makes sense to me now in ways that it didn't when I first arrived."

Trachtenberg has said his activities, including meeting with District of Columbia officials and with alumni, are requiring more time away from campus. Trachtenberg was recently elected to serve as the next chairman of the District of Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

The move to reinstate the provost position comes as part of an initiative that includes the promotions of vice presidents Louis H. Katz, Donald R. Lehman and Robert A. Chernak. Katz

becomes executive vice president and treasurer and Lehman becomes executive vice president for academic affairs and the George Gamow Professor of Theoretical Physics, a newly established professorship. Chernak has been designated senior vice president for student and academic support services.

"These changes are an effort at finer articulation," said Trachtenberg. "The executive vice president promotions are indicative of their respective accomplishments over the years and the growing challenge of their portfolios."

As for the new senior vice president, Trachtenberg said that Chernak "is being recognized for the remarkable achievements during his tenure at GW and the centrality of his role in the welfare of the faculty and students of the University."

The newly promoted administrators will play a key role in an overall strategic plan the University has embarked on to achieve a higher level of educational excellence and to continue its momentum and progress as an outstanding teaching and research institution.

Located four blocks from the White House, The George Washington University was created by an Act of Congress in 1821. Today, GW is the largest institution of higher education in the nation's capital. The University offers comprehensive programs of undergraduate and graduate liberal arts study as well as degree programs in medicine, law, engineering, education, business/public management, and international affairs. Each year, GW enrolls a diverse population of approximately 20,000 undergraduates, graduate, and professional students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 120 countries.

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**GW'S LUTHER W. BRADY ART GALLERY PRESENTS
IN ILLO TEMPORE: RECENT PAINTINGS AND PROJECTS BY VICENTE PASCUAL
JANUARY 16 – FEBRUARY 22**

EVENT: "In Illo Tempore," an exhibition of approximately 15 paintings and projects by Spanish artist, Vicente Pascual, presented by The George Washington University Luther W. Brady Art Gallery

WHEN: Exhibition Dates: Thursday, January 16, 2003 – Saturday, February 22, 2003
Gallery Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Special hours in conjunction with special events in the Media and Public Affairs Building

WHERE: The George Washington University
Luther W. Brady Art Gallery
Media and Public Affairs Building, 805 21st Street, NW, 2nd Floor
Washington, D.C. (Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro, Blue and Orange Lines)

COST: Free and open to the public.

Background:

"In Illo Tempore" refers to a Latin phrase from the Gospels, and is similar to the English "Once upon a time..." This general sense of being out of the mainstream suggests something eternal, which is the essence of Vicente Pascual's approach to geometric abstraction in his acrylic and ink paintings. Inspired by the rugged Roman walls of his birthplace, the Aragonese city of Zaragoza, Pascual creates paintings that engage the built environment. Architectural texture and form influence Pascual's painted surfaces and are characterized in his color palette, which brings to mind sand, earth and soil. Pascual's work favors centralized arrangements of extremely simple geometric forms on generally monochromatic grounds. His paintings represent a harmonious union between rigor and freedom.

Pascual also designs large murals and other projects based on modules that may be re-arranged on a large scale by re-organizing the components in inventive ways. He envisions his work in various spaces and configurations, such as an exhibition slated for May 2003 in a Spanish Romanesque church in Huesca, Spain.

Since his first solo exhibition at the Galería Atenas in Zaragoza in 1971, Pascual's work has been the subject of more than 70 solo shows and has recently been surveyed in a major retrospective at the Casal Solleric, Palma de Mallorca. His work is in numerous international collections including Indiana University Art Museum, Bloomington; The Hispanic Society of America Museum, New York; and La Caixa, Barcelona. Vicente Pascual has lived in Washington, D.C., since 1999.

A brochure featuring essays discussing Pascual's work by Seyyed Hossein Nasr, GW University Professor of Islamic Studies, and Lenore Miller, director of the University Art Galleries, accompanies the exhibition.

**For more information on the exhibition, contact Lenore Miller, (202) 994-1525.
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**GW MULTICULTURAL STUDENT SERVICES CENTER TO HONOR TWO STUDENTS
WITH 2003 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AWARD
JANUARY 23**

Medalists Recognized for Exemplifying the Ideals of Martin Luther King, Jr.

EVENT: Convocation to salute The George Washington University student recipients of the 2003 Martin Luther King, Jr. medal. The convocation and the award are sponsored by GW's Multicultural Student Services Center (MSSC).

WHEN: Thursday, January 23, 2003
Convocation begins at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center, Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor)
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C. (Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro Station on the Blue and Orange lines)

TICKETS: Free. To reserve tickets, call the Multicultural Student Services Center at (202) 994-7010.

BACKGROUND:

The Martin Luther King, Jr. medal is conferred annually to selected GW students in celebration and recognition of the human values embodied in King's commitment to integration, peace, nonviolence, conscience, personal integrity and community. The recipients of the 2003 Martin Luther King, Jr. medal are **Sandra Gutierrez** and **Chanel S. Haliburton**. The medal recipients are selected by a committee of GW staff, faculty and students.

Gutierrez received a B.A. in human services, with a secondary field of study in business administration, from GW in 2001, and is currently a graduate student in GW's Graduate School of Education and Human Development. She has been active in organizations such as AmeriCorps, the Latin American Youth Center of Washington D.C. and the Theta Chapter of Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc.

Haliburton is a senior at GW majoring in human services and criminal justice and sociology. Her outstanding service includes volunteering as a health trainer for National Organization of Concerned Black Men, facilitator for college workshops, peer tutor and founder/performer for BLAZEN, an on-campus student organization committed to using arts to develop and engage area youth and college students.

Other events sponsored by the MSSC to celebrate the memory and the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. include:

- Wednesday, January 15, 2003 (noon – 2 p.m.): Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration
Marvin Center, Abrams Great Hall, 800 21st Street, NW
- Monday, January 20, 2003 (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.): "A Day On...Not a Day Off" Service Project
Painting of Knox Hill Senior Center, in SE Washington, D.C.
Lunch and transportation provided, sign up at the MSSC or the Office of Community Service

The MSSC, located at 2127 G Street, NW, provides a wide range of student services, educational programming, and social and cultural activities to enhance the multicultural ideas of cultural heritage, racial understanding, academic excellence and continuous personal development.

For more information on the medals or the MSSC, please call (202) 994-7010 or e-mail msscares@gwu.edu.

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**GW ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP TO DISPLAY AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF LOUDOUN
COUNTY AT GOVERNMENT CENTER
JANUARY 14 – 31**

Photographs Show Impact of Loudoun County's Growth on the Environment

EVENT: "The Dynamic Loudoun Landscape," a display of aerial photographs of Loudoun County from 1999 – 2002, presented by The George Washington University's Loudoun County Environmental Indicators Project (LEIP)

WHEN: Tuesday, January 14 - Friday, January 31, 2003
Exhibit hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Lobby of Government Center Building, 1 Harrison Street, Leesburg, Va.

COST: The exhibit is free and open to the public. For more information please call (540) 882-4929.

BACKGROUND:

GW's LEIP will display a selection of aerial photographs from its collection taken between October 1999 and October 2002. The large-format scenes were taken from a helicopter at a low-level altitude over various parts of Loudoun County. They illustrate the changes to the landscape during the period when Loudoun became the second fastest-growing county in the country. Additionally, high-altitude aerial views of Loudoun, from the county's collection, are on view. The display also features data collected and analyzed by a team of GW scientists studying changes in Loudoun's air quality, impervious surfaces, water quality, forest canopy and other factors important in the process of environmental change.

"These photos offer us all a wonderful opportunity to see the rate of change our county has been undergoing in a very short period of time," said Joan Rokus, co-chair of GW's LEIP.

Launched in 1998 with the support of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, LEIP provides objective data and analysis for the county on indicators of environmental change. In this comprehensive study, GW scientists monitor, analyze and report on the environmental change resulting from Loudoun County's rapid growth and development. GW's research results are disseminated to the public so citizens and elected leaders may take appropriate measures for the benefit of their communities. LEIP, located at the GW Virginia Campus in Ashburn, has gained broad-based community and private sector support.

Conveniently located in the Northern Virginia technology corridor near Dulles International Airport, the GW Virginia Campus is the University's research and technology campus. The 90-acre campus is a robust center for executive education and technology programs and world-class research initiatives in transportation safety and security, information technology and telecommunications. Since opening in August 1991, the campus has experienced a tenfold increase in its student base and grown annual research funding from \$50,000 to more than \$7 million.

To learn more about GW LEIP, visit www.gwu.edu/~leip.

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**GW'S DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC PRESENTS TRIOS BY JOHANNES BRAHMS,
JOSEPH HAYDN AND TOMAS SVOBODA
FEBRUARY 2**

WHAT: The George Washington University Department of Music presents a Faculty Trio Concert, featuring GW professors of music Lori Barnet, Mary Findley and Marilyn Mangold Garst performing the works of Johannes Brahms, Joseph Haydn and Tomas Svoboda.

WHEN: Sunday, February 2, 2003
3:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Hand Chapel, Mt. Vernon Campus
2100 Foxhall Road, NW (at W Street), Washington, D.C.

COST: \$5 - General Public; \$2 - Students and Senior Citizens.
Tickets available at the door.

BACKGROUND:

The program features selections from **Johannes Brahms** (1833-1897), Trio in C Minor, Op. 101; **Joseph Haydn** (1732-1809), Trio in G, Hoboken XV:25; and **Tomas Svoboda** (b. 1939), Trio, Op. 116.

Lori Barnet joined the GW Department of Music in 1991 to teach cello. She currently is cellist with Orchestra 2001 (Swarthmore, Pa.), Contemporary Music Forum (Washington, D.C.), the National Chamber Orchestra, the Alexandria (Va.) Symphony and the Washington Chamber Symphony. Mary Findley has taught violin at GW since 1981. She has been featured as a violin soloist with the Cincinnati Symphony, and has appeared in New York's Weill (formerly Carnegie) Recital Hall and Merkin Hall, along with Washington appearances at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Library of Congress, the Phillips Collection and the National Gallery of Art. Marilyn Mangold Garst teaches piano, harpsichord and keyboard ensembles as well as serves as the keyboard studies coordinator at GW. Her Washington appearances include the National Gallery of Art, American University, Anderson House Museum, the Renwick Gallery and the Smithsonian Hall of Musical Instruments.

The George Washington University takes pride in the important and active role of music in its academic programs and campus life. GW's Department of Music has a full- and part-time faculty that includes well-known performers, teachers and several members of the National Symphony Orchestra and the Kennedy Center Opera House Orchestra.

Free shuttle buses from GW Foggy Bottom campus will leave at 2:20 p.m. and 2:40 p.m. from 22nd and I Streets, NW, (in front of the Ambulatory Care Center) and will return to main campus after the concert.

For additional information, please contact the GW Department of Music at (202) 994-6245.

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**GW CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER HONORED AS 2003 PREMIER 100 IT
LEADER BY *COMPUTERWORLD***

**David Swartz Recognized for Creative, Innovative Approach to Align
Information Systems and Services with Overall Goals of GW**

WASHINGTON – The George Washington University today announced that David Swartz, chief information officer, has been recognized by the weekly newspaper *Computerworld*, as one of the business world's Premier 100 Information Technology (IT) Leaders. The award honors individuals who have creatively applied technology to execute their organization's business strategy.

The Premier 100 IT Leaders award, now in its fourth year, recognizes exceptional technology leadership, innovative approaches to business challenges and effective execution of comprehensive IT strategies. Swartz will be honored at the *Computerworld* Premier 100 IT Leaders Conference, held in Scottsdale, Ariz., from February 23-25.

Swartz was selected from hundreds of nominees based on those leaders who closely match *Computerworld's* Leadership Index, a set of characteristics that describes business and technology people who guide the effective use of IT in their organizations. Other award winners include leading IT executives from Bayer Pharmaceutical, Circuit City Stores, Inc., Dow Chemical Company and MasterCard International.

"Dave's leadership and can-do attitude are well known at The George Washington University," said Louis Katz, executive vice president and treasurer. "I am extremely pleased that his contributions to our institution also have been recognized by the larger IT community."

"IT leaders are responsible for a wide variety of initiatives that are vital to business -- ranging from customer service to security assurance to a cost-effective supply chain," said Maryfran Johnson, editor in chief of *Computerworld*. "*Computerworld's* Premier 100 IT Leaders highlight an elite class of technology thought-leaders who truly practice what they preach about using IT to creatively solve business problems and enable new services."

Prior to joining GW as chief information officer in 1999, Swartz served as the director of information systems and network services at West Virginia University, where he was responsible for technical infrastructure and information systems. Swartz has a long history of supporting university and health care computing and networking. He holds a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D., from the University of Maryland, College Park, with a concentration in economics. Swartz has frequently contributed to *Telemedicine Today*, where he has published more than 50 columns on telemedicine technology. He also has published 33 peer-reviewed articles, two chapters and one book.

The complete list of Premier 100 IT Leaders can be found in the January 6, 2003, issue of *Computerworld* and online at www.computerworld.com. The issue includes several feature articles summarizing the challenges IT leaders expect to face in the coming year, including managing the IT workforce, improving core systems, vendor management and aligning technology projects with business goals.

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Computerworld is the only integrated media company focused exclusively on the information needs of IT Leaders – those who manage and implement technology in Global 2000 organizations. The company's flagship weekly newspaper – along with its Computerworld.com Web site and conference series for IT Leaders – form the U.S.-based hub of the world's largest (58-edition) worldwide IT media network.

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**STUDENT ARTISTS FROM LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TO EXHIBIT WORK AT GW VIRGINIA CAMPUS
FEBRUARY 18 – APRIL 14**

**Schools Superintendent Edgar B. Hatrick to Speak at Artist Recognition Reception
February 26**

- EVENT:** “Discover Loudoun’s Young Artists,” the sixth annual Loudoun County Public Schools Student Art Show, hosted by The George Washington University Virginia Campus
- WHEN:** Artist Recognition Reception: Wednesday, February 26, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Exhibit Dates: February 18, 2003 – April 14, 2003
Gallery Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday
- WHERE:** The George Washington University Virginia Campus
Gallery Lounge
20101 Academic Way, Ashburn, VA
(At University Center off of Rt. 7, one mile west of Rt. 28)
- COST:** The reception is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. RSVP for the reception by Friday, February 21, via email to reservations@va.gwu.edu or by telephone to Andrea Riley at (703) 726-8300.

BACKGROUND:

The Loudoun County Public Schools Student Art Show features two-dimensional, mixed media works by approximately 45 student artists from five Loudoun County schools: Harmony Intermediate, Banneker Elementary, Lovettsville Elementary, Hamilton Elementary and Waterford Elementary. To open the exhibit, GW will host an artist recognition reception with featured speaker, Edgar B. Hatrick, superintendent of the Loudoun County Public Schools.

The goal for Loudoun County Public Schools Visual Arts Program is to connect the student/creator to the power of the visual image and create a link between the arts of the past and present. In grades one through 12, basic learning goals have been set that strive to address the students’ sequential development through art in relation to their creative expression and appreciation of art.

**To learn more about the GW Art Exhibit Series and other programs at the GW Virginia Campus,
visit www.gwvirginia.gwu.edu.**

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**NOTED CHOREOGRAPHER, DANCER AND GW PROFESSOR MAIDA WITHERS
TRAVELS THE UNIVERSE IN UPCOMING PERFORMANCE**

**One-Woman Multimedia Show – *Maida on Maida in the Universe*
February 14-15**

EVENT: *Maida on Maida in the Universe*, one-woman show by Maida Withers, professor of dance at The George Washington University and artistic director/founder of Maida Withers Dance Construction Company. Music score and sound design by New York composer/musician Cam Millar.

WHEN: Friday and Saturday, February 14 and 15, 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C. (Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro Station on the Blue and Orange lines)

COST: General admission - \$18; Students with ID - \$10
Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster outlets, or by calling (202) 432-7328.

BACKGROUND:

Who hasn't dreamed of traveling into outer space and experiencing the wonders of our universe? In *Maida on Maida in the Universe*, Maida Withers travels with us through her "universe" – her artistic history that includes more than 30 years of cutting-edge dance and performance art. She juxtaposes her life's work and the latest theories of the origin and demise of the universe, using images from NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. The intersections between art, science and technology and our place in the universe are explored in this interactive, one-woman multimedia performance.

Withers uses an installation of screens to display a collection of images and video of her career and stream-of-consciousness thoughts typed during the performance, while also engaging in an ongoing dialogue with the audience. *Maida on Maida in the Universe* provides those unfamiliar with Withers with an introduction to her extensive body of work. Those already familiar with Withers' work are treated to many images resurrected from past performances and a unique retrospective. For all involved, *Maida on Maida in the Universe* is an interactive performance that carries us beyond the boundaries of our planet and into our future in the universe.

Withers formed Maida Withers and The Dance Construction Company in 1974 to produce original dance and multimedia works for stage, sites and video. In 1995, she founded the D.C. International Dance Improvisation Plus+ Festival to introduce audiences to diverse approaches to improvisation and provide artists with opportunities for networking and exchange. In 1999, GW awarded Withers the prestigious Columbian Professorship for artistic excellence and in 2001 she received the Pola Nirenska Award for outstanding contribution to dance from the Washington Performing Arts Society. She has performed internationally, including such countries as Brazil, Norway, China and Russia, among others.

**For more information on *Maida on Maida in the Universe* and Maida Withers, visit www.maidadance.com.
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**GW'S DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE PRESENTS *THE LARAMIE PROJECT*
FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 2**

- EVENT:** The George Washington University Department of Theatre and Dance presents *The Laramie Project* – a play investigating the reactions of people in a small community to a hate crime committed in their hometown. The play is directed by GW Professor of Theatre Nathan Garner.
- WHEN:** Preview: Wednesday, February 26, 7:30 p.m.
Performances: Thursday, February 27 – Saturday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 2, 2:00 p.m.
(A sign language interpreter will be on hand for the Thursday, February 27 performance)
- WHERE:** The George Washington University
Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, Marvin Center
800 21st Street, NW, Washington, D.C.
(Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro Station on the Blue and Orange lines)
- COST:** \$5 – Preview rate for February 26 only
\$8 – GW Students
\$10 – General Admission
Tickets available at all TicketMaster outlets, call (202) 432-SEAT (7328).
GW's TicketMaster is located on the ground floor of the Marvin Center.

BACKGROUND:

The Laramie Project chronicles the efforts of a New York theatre troupe that exposes the true feelings of the residents of a small western town, Laramie, Wyo., which was thrust into the spotlight following the 1998 hate murder of college student Matthew Shepard. Playwright Moisés Kaufman and his Tectonic Theater Project wrote the play based on hundreds of interviews they conducted with the residents of Laramie. *The Laramie Project* was work-shopped at the Sundance Theatre Laboratory in 1999, opened in New York City in May 2000, and the development of the play was re-created for an HBO Film that premiered in March 2002. *Time* magazine called *The Laramie Project* "one of the 10 best plays of 2000."

Nathan Garner has been a member of the theatre faculty at GW for more than 30 years. After working professionally as a lighting designer, he came to GW as resident designer and technical director. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan with an emphasis in directing and was the department's director of theatre and producer from 1974-1983. He has directed dozens of productions at GW and elsewhere and acted in regional and summer repertory theatre in Washington and New England. His play, "Condor Qatay," co-authored with Catherine Allen, was produced by the department in 1994 and is published by Waveland Press.

Brent Stansell, a GW senior and star of *The Laramie Project*, is traveling to Laramie to talk with community members about the play and about Matthew Shepard for his senior honors thesis. Excerpts from Stansell's journal and photos from the trip will appear on the theatre department Web site.

**For more information, please visit www.gwu.edu/~theatre, call (202) 994-6178
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**GW FINE ARTS SENIORS EXHIBIT WORK IN 1ST VISUAL
COMMUNICATIONS SHOW AT DIMOCK GALLERY
JANUARY 23 – FEBRUARY 7**

EVENT: *1st Visual Communications Show*, sponsored by the student gallery committee, the Department of Fine Arts and Art History and visual communications students and faculty. The show will feature the work of more than a dozen seniors at The George Washington University with majors and minors in visual communications.

WHEN: Exhibition Dates: Thursday, January 23 – Friday, February 7
Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Friday 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Dimock Gallery, Lisner Auditorium – Lower Level
730 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C. (Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro, Blue and Orange lines)

COST: Free and open to the public

BACKGROUND:

The undergraduate program in visual communications is a concentration within the fine arts major at GW, leading to a bachelor of arts. The program aims to provide students with a solid foundation in the basics of typography, layout and production. Technical skills and conceptual approaches are emphasized equally to equip students with the training for a career in graphic design.

Exhibition works include graphic posters, advertising and promotional designs, editorial designs, and other displays of digital and commercial art. This marks the first time the visual communications department has ever held a public exhibition of the work of seniors.

The Dimock Gallery is administered by the University Art Galleries and is an educational gallery that provides a setting for the display of art on the GW campus. With the active support of Department of Fine Arts and Art History students, the Dimock Gallery's new mission provides for a "hands-on" experience for curating and presenting their creative endeavors. Ongoing student and faculty participation provides a forum for students to curate, display and critique their creative efforts, and creates a learning environment in which students can organize exhibitions and learn about exhibition design with the advice of faculty and curators.

For more information, please contact visual communications program advisor Bob Coleman at (202) 994-7455, bobc@gwu.edu.

For information on the Dimock Gallery in general, please call (202) 994-1525.

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MALLARD D. OWEN TAPPED AS NEW GENERAL MANAGER OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY CLUB

WASHINGTON – The George Washington University welcomes Mallard D. Owen, as the new general manager of The George Washington University Club. Owen, who had been serving as interim director since last year, oversees the club's day-to-day operations including member relations and outreach, programs, private events and dining services.

"Joining the club and being part of the GW community is very exciting for me," said Owen. "Having been around college campuses for many years, the chance to be part of an outstanding club, with its unique and inviting design and its affiliation with GW, was an opportunity I couldn't pass up. The University Club has a great future, especially with all the support from the University and its alumni and friends in the D.C. metropolitan community."

Prior to joining The George Washington University Club, Owen served as interim club manager at the Capital Club in Columbus, Ohio, a property owned and managed by ClubCorp, the same company that manages GW's University Club. His previous endeavors include management and consultation services in the health and fitness industry and founding eBrite Limited, a computer training and education consultancy. He holds a Ph.D. in exercise science from the University of Iowa and a master of physical education (M.P.E.) from the University of Florida.

The George Washington University Club is a member-supported establishment created for all alumni, faculty, staff and friends of the University. Previously located in the GW Marvin Center, the club moved to its new home at 1918 F Street, NW, in 1999. The club's quarters feature a totally renovated structure developed from two original pre-civil war townhomes in historic Foggy Bottom. The club provides its members with formal and informal dining areas, a casual pub, a sitting room/parlor, a library and several private dining rooms suitable for receptions, seminars or social gatherings. The decor has been created with the counsel of the club's Board of Governors to ensure that each detail of the interior design reflects the rich traditions of the University.

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**GW HOSTS SEMINAR ON NEW TRENDS AND DEVELOPMENTS IN THE
U.S. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION
JANUARY 22**

EVENT: Peggy Mastroianni, associate legal counsel with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), will speak on disability issues as well as new trends and developments at the EEOC during the District of Columbia Business Leadership Network's (DCBLN) quarterly network series meeting, hosted by The George Washington University Office of Equal Employment Opportunity. The George Washington University serves as the Lead Employer of the DCBLN.

WHEN: Wednesday, January 22, 2003
9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center, Room 308 (Parks Room)
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C. (Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro station on the blue and orange lines)

COST: Free, please RSVP to Cynthia Richardson-Crooks at (202) 994-9656 or eeacrc@gwu.edu.

Background:

Peggy R. Mastroianni is responsible for developing commission guidance under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Equal Pay Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Recent policy documents developed under Mastroianni's direction include the development of ADA guidance on reasonable accommodation, disability related inquiries, medical examinations, workers' compensation and psychiatric conditions.

As DCBLN's Lead Employer, GW's Office of Equal Employment Opportunity hosts this seminar series on a quarterly basis to educate businesses on the merits of hiring persons with disabilities. The quarterly sessions feature guest speakers who address best practices and other topics for employers interested in expanding the diversity of their staffs by hiring persons with disabilities.

Located four blocks from the White House, The George Washington University was created by an Act of Congress in 1821. Today, GW is the largest institution of higher education in the nation's capital. The University offers comprehensive programs of undergraduate and graduate liberal arts study as well as degree programs in medicine, law, engineering, education, business/public management and international affairs. Each year, GW enrolls a diverse population of 20,000 undergraduates, graduate and professional students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and more than 130 countries.

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**GW PRESIDENT STEPHEN JOEL TRACHTENBERG TO CHAIR BOARD OF
D.C. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

President Trachtenberg to Govern Board of Area Business Leaders

WASHINGTON – Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, president of The George Washington University, has been chosen as the 2003 chair-elect of the District of Columbia Chamber of Commerce (DCCC) Board of Directors. Recognized for his business sense and commitment to the viability of the District of Columbia, Trachtenberg was elected by the DCCC board at the Chamber's annual meeting on December 18, 2002.

"We are ecstatic to have someone with such integrity and intellect as the chair-elect of our board of directors here at the Chamber," said Barbara Lang, president and CEO of the DCCC. "Mr. Trachtenberg is a dynamic community leader and is the perfect individual to lead our Chamber into the future."

Trachtenberg will serve as chair-elect until the DCCC annual meeting in December 2003, when he will formally be handed the gavel to become chair for 2004. Trachtenberg will then chair the board until the next annual meeting in December 2004, when he will become immediate past chair, and will serve in that capacity for one year.

"The Chamber has tremendous momentum heading into this year and there is no limit to what we can accomplish on behalf of the District of Columbia," said Trachtenberg. "Joined by a board of top-notch business professionals, I look forward to leading the Chamber."

According to the DCCC bylaws, the chair-elect assists the chair and assumes the chair's duties and responsibilities in the chair's absence. The chair-elect has oversight and program responsibility for the Administrative, Communications and Membership Standing Board Committees.

Trachtenberg was elected to his post with the following new officers: 1st vice chair, Angela Avant, director, Management Assurance Services, KPMG LLP; 2nd vice chair, Linda Greenan, assistant vice president, external affairs, Georgetown University; treasurer, Allen S. Thomas, Jr., managing partner, Deloitte & Touche; financial secretary, Stephen W. Porter, partner, Arnold & Porter; and secretary, Natalie O. Ludaway, managing partner, Leftwich & Douglas, PLLC.

Trachtenberg, who became president of GW in 1988, recently signed a new five-year contract to continue to lead the University through 2007. Under his leadership, the University has experienced a record number of applications (17,000 in 2001-02), opened several new buildings and most recently was named one of the 12 "hottest colleges in the nation" by the 2002 Kaplan/Newsweek *How to Get Into College* guide. Trachtenberg came to GW from the University of Hartford (CT), where he was president for 11 years. Before assuming the presidency of the University of Hartford, he served for eight years at Boston University as vice president for academic services and academic dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Trachtenberg's election as the next chair of the DCCC marks the first example of his outreach to the community made possible by his having appointed a University provost for GW. John F. Williams, M.D., Ed.D., vice president for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences was named provost effective January 1, 2003. With the addition of a provost position at GW, Trachtenberg will now have the opportunity to expand his service in the D.C. community and in higher education.

The DCCC is a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to improving business and tourism in the District of Columbia. With more than 1,400 members, the DCCC has a powerful impact on legislation and the business and tourism climate. The DCCC is working aggressively to expand the economy in Washington, D.C., by attracting new jobs and creating economic opportunities for its members and citizens. The DCCC also focuses on issues that impact future growth and community development, including arts and culture, education, international trade and government affairs.

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**GW's YITZHAK RABIN MEMORIAL PROFESSOR WALTER REICH TO HOST FORUM ON
"THE TERRORISM OF HIZBOLLAH: IDEOLOGY, SCOPE AND THREAT"**

JANUARY 16

**Speakers to Include Public Policy Scholar Jeffrey Goldberg and
Wexler-Fromer Fellow Martin Kramer**

EVENT: "The Terrorism of Hizbollah: Ideology, Scope and Threat," a forum hosted by The George Washington University and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. GW's Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Professor Walter Reich will moderate the event.

SPEAKERS:

Jeffrey Goldberg, public policy scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center; staff writer, *The New Yorker*

Martin Kramer, Wexler-Fromer Fellow, Washington Institute for Near East Policy; editor, *Middle East Quarterly*; former fellow, Woodrow Wilson Center

WHEN: Thursday, January 16, 2003
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center
One Woodrow Wilson Plaza
1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
5th floor conference room
Washington, D.C. 20004
(Metro available at the Federal Triangle station)

COST: This event is free and open to the public with photo identification.

Background:

Walter Reich is the Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Professor of International Affairs, Ethics and Human Behavior at GW's Elliott School of International Affairs. Reich was the director of United States Holocaust Memorial Museum from 1995 to 1998. He also is a senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, lecturer in psychiatry at Yale University, professor of psychiatry at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, and co-chair of the Committee of Concerned Scientists. His scholarly work at the Woodrow Wilson Center currently is focused on the sources, development, representation, uses, misuses and future of Holocaust memory.

*** If you are interested in attending, please e-mail your RSVP to rowejm@wwics.si.edu. ***

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